

Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior

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have been adopted by the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

(a) *Interpretation of § 784.15: Reclamation plan: Postmining land uses.* (1) The requirements of § 784.15(a)(2), for approval of an alternative postmining land use, may be met by requesting approval through the permit revision procedures of § 774.13 rather than requesting such approval in the original permit application. The original permit application, however, must demonstrate that the land will be returned to its premining land use capability as required by § 817.133(a). An application for a permit revision of this type, (i) must be submitted in accordance with the filing deadlines of § 774.13, (ii) shall constitute a significant alteration from the mining operations contemplated by the original permit, and (iii) shall be subject to the requirements of 30 CFR parts 773 and 775.

(b) [Reserved]

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AUTHORITY: 30 U.S.C. 1201 *et seq.*, as amended; Pub. L. 100-34; and Pub. L. 102-486.

SOURCE: 44 FR 15370, Mar. 13, 1979, unless otherwise noted.

§ 785.1 Scope.

This part establishes the minimum requirements for regulatory program provisions for permits for certain categories of surface coal mining and reclamation operations. These requirements are in addition to the general permit requirements contained in this subchapter G. All of the provisions of subchapter G apply to these operations, unless otherwise specifically provided in this part.

§ 785.2 Objective.

The objective of this part is to ensure that permits are issued for certain categories of surface coal mining and reclamation operations only after the regulatory authority receives information that shows that these operations will be conducted according to the applicable requirements of the Act, subchapter K, and applicable regulatory programs.

§ 785.10 Information collection.

The collections of information contained in 30 CFR 785.13(e), (f), (g), and (h), 785.14, 785.15, 785.16, 785.17(b), 785.18(c), 785.19, 785.20, 785.21 and 785.22 have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3507 and assigned clearance number 1029-0040. The information is being collected to meet the requirements of sections 711 and 515 of Pub. L. 95-87, which require applicants for special types of mining activities to provide descriptions, maps, plans and data of the proposed activity. This information will be used by the regulatory authority in determining if the applicant can meet the applicable performance standards for the special type of mining activities. The obligation to respond is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with Pub. L. 95-87.

Public reporting burden for this information is estimated to average 29 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of